## **News Release**

# Rhode Island National Wildlife Refuge Complex

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### **For Immediate Release**

### Rhode Island National Wildlife Refuge Lands, Trails and Visitor Centers to Temporarily Close due to Weather

Because of high winds and dangerous surf conditions anticipated due to Hurricane Sandy, Rhode Island National Wildlife Refuge lands, trails and visitor centers are likely to be closed anytime beginning Sunday, October 28, 2012 until further notice. All public programs will be cancelled during this time.

Refuge staff will be monitoring the situation during the closure and when conditions allow the Refuge lands and Centers will re-open to the public as soon as we can. Visitors can call the refuge headquarters at 401.364.9124, extension 48, for information on when we will be reopening.

While there is uncertainty about the path of Hurricane Sandy, the Refuge wants to alert potential visitors, particular fishermen, of the pending closures at this time.

For more information please contact the Refuge Complex headquarters at 401 364-9124.